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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.
Henceforth all obituaries, cards of thanks, lodge notices, notices of all public affairs, charging admission, citations, executors' notices, notices of discharge, etc., will be charged for at the legal rate.
There has been some uncertainty in the minds of our friends as to what news really is. The items mentioned above are not news items, nor can we accept such items for publication except as advertising.

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Fair interior, probably showers on the coast Tuesday; Wednesday fair, not much change in temperature.

TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 1915.

Why not a continuous white way on Main street?

Will council withhold what the public asks for?

Older city builders than we recognize the importance of attractive approaches to the heart of town.

The town authorities are not swatting the fly but the need of swatting is to be seen all about us. Why don't they clean up this town?

If you will leave your address with us when you start on your summer vacation, The Lancaster News will follow you and thus you will be assured of two letters from home each week.

If the critics of Governor Manning wanted good government in South Carolina they would be helping to mould a sentiment for law and order instead of finding fault with everything the governor undertakes.

Hospitality offers to the guest the best the host has to offer. Why then should Lancaster greet her guests with only a faint glimmer, and hide under a bushel, so to speak, the light that should bid them welcome?

We place lights in the halls of our homes to make our entrances bright and attractive and to bid a welcome to our friends. On the same principle, other towns light the way of approach to visitors. Will Lancaster allow its people to appear inhospitable, or will she not rather place a brilliant illumination at the stations, as evidence of the welcome we have to offer?

The State, a newspaper which has always opposed lawlessness in all its forms, has not failed to make of the Winthrop tragedy an occasion for setting before the people of South Carolina clear, unanswerable arguments against the wreaking of private vengeance. The State, in a series of well-considered editorials, has given our people much to reflect upon. We wish to acknowledge our own appreciation and to commend to our readers a careful reading of two of these editorials which will be found in The News today.

There is a vacant beneficiary cadetship for Lancaster county at the Citadel, the South Carolina Military College, the examination for which will be held August 13, 1915. This affords a splendid opportunity for some poor youth of the county to get a first-class education absolutely free. Usually only two or three boys compete for this scholarship. We urge upon the ambitious boys of Lancaster county to write to Col. Bond, superintendent of the Citadel, for the necessary blanks to be filled out, then prepare for and stand the examination.

Number one, volume one, of "Progressive Lancaster" has just been issued by the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and we wish to congratulate the editor, Secretary Ellison, upon the subject matter therein. The publication is not for advertising purposes, but merely for the information of its members. It is to be issued monthly in the hope of stimulating the members to still greater activity. It contains a foreword, committee reports, editorials, announcements, a number of well-selected articles on city building. It tells of a number of plans which will soon materialize, thereby advancing the interests of the community.

UP TO THE COMMUNITY.

Pursuant to a call made by the local Council, Boy Scouts of America, from the pulpits of the several churches Sunday, a mass-meeting will be held at the court house this afternoon in the interest of the organization. The scout masters tell us that they have carried on the work as far as it is possible for it to go without outside help. We have ascertained also that these faithful and efficient officers have thus far financed their troops and otherwise carried on the work without assistance from the public. It seems to us that a spirit of appreciation of their services must now compel our people to take up what these men have so well begun and thus enable them to carry it on to yet greater usefulness. Since our boys have become Scouts they are manlier, more ambitious and more resourceful. They have undergone a development which every day manifests itself in some unexpected way. They are trained for efficiency and their lives become more purposeful, as the various forms of knowledge they have acquired are finding expression in work for the community.

But it should be clearly understood that the future of the organization lies with the people of the community. To carry out the work, entire camp outfits must be purchased for the summer outing. A mountain trip is in contemplation, a week or more in camp which would be of great benefit to these growing boys. But some of the youngsters cannot afford to take the trip without financial assistance. Neither can they obtain an equipment for cooking their meals unless donations are made by their friends. It is not asking too much of our people to urge them to help the Boy Scouts secure this permanent outfit. It is clearly up to our people to help these boys who have not yet been able to make enough money of their own to finance their organization. Such a community asset should appeal to the generosity of the community and we believe the Boy Scouts will not be denied when their need is presented. Let there be a representative gathering of men and women at the mass-meeting this afternoon.

CONCERNING THE "WHITE WAY."

So far as we have been able to ascertain, no good reason has been advanced by the city council for their recent decision to divert the great white way to Gay street, instead of continuing it to the railway stations. A petition, numerously signed, has been circulated and presented to the council, who declined to defer to the petition, although they must see that it is the will of the majority to adhere to the original plan. If a "great white way" to the stations seems of more importance to certain taxpayers on Gay street, if they have the wisdom to see how vastly more important it is to have the approach to Lancaster well lighted and attractive, if they are unselfish enough to want to advertise the home town to strangers rather than adorn their own residence and business street, surely the council, who are after all, the servants of the people, will carry out their wishes. Far be it from us to wish any plan curtailed which will make Lancaster more beautiful. If the council can complete the Main street white way and in addition, install another on Gay street, so much the better. But we wish to urge the city fathers to consider what we would miss by taking from the main thoroughfare of the town the lights which were to beckon all comers towards the business section and light their way thither. The ornamental posts topped with globes of light should be placed where they are most needed and where they will best serve the purposes for which it was deemed wise to erect them. No better advertising scheme could the town authorities give Lancaster than attractive and artistically lighted railway stations. Many citizens have expressed to us their surprise and disappointment at the recent action of the council and we are therefore not only expressing our own convictions but those of older and more experienced citizens when we ask the city fathers to give more consideration to the wishes of our people, so freely and generally expressed.

Yesterday was the longest day in the year and because it was also the hottest we are glad that June 21 is past.

"This is the season of the year when the ice wagon becomes the banana wagon," says The State.

CHARLESTON'S ATTITUDE.

The action of the grand jury of Charleston in throwing out all of the indictments against the illegal whiskey sellers except in one case and that against a negro, is not surprising, judging by that city's attitude in the past toward the whiskey laws of the state. It is patent that the grand jury, sworn to do their duty, are shielding the violators of the law. Solicitor Peurifoy did right when he not pressed the case against the negro, when the jury had let the eighteen white men go. Says The News and Courier:

"In commenting upon this motion Judge Moore remarked that he had no right to inquire into the deliberations of the jurymen in their room, but that the action taken by them in returning such a number of no-bills seemed to say that Charleston was different from other places in that it did not have any places where liquor was illegally sold. This remark brought forth laughter from the spectators, so much so that order had to be called for. He said that out of the number of no-bills returned and considering the amount of evidence offered by the officers it was a little difficult to understand how no prima facie cases could be made out against any of the defendants."

The News and Courier says the action of the grand jury, while disappointing is not in itself disheartening, and suggests that the jury's action does not necessarily represent the sentiments of the people of Charleston. It is to be hoped that it does not. The News and Courier sounds this note of timely warning to the people of Charleston:

"But today the people of this city are confronted with the fact that in the wholesale defiance of the law which has been permitted locally, Charleston stands alone among the communities of the state. We have been deying an exasperated public sentiment and that cannot be done without incurring penalties which undoubtedly will be executed unless there is a wholesale change. Moreover, we have raised up amongst us scores and hundreds of lawbreakers whose prosperity is achieved at the expense of the best resources of the community, who are a drain upon us in every way, and who have repeatedly exerted themselves to the utmost of their large powers in opposition to the best interests of the community. The big question for Charleston at the moment, then, is not the unwisdom of the liquor law but whether or not such a condition can be allowed to exist longer, when so much is in jeopardy because of it."

UPHOLD THE LAW.

It is of the utmost importance that the people of South Carolina, everywhere, should speak up at all times and under all circumstances for the supremacy of the law. There are no circumstances where either a mob, or private individuals, are justifiable or even excusable, in taking the law in their own hands and undertaking to mete out justice in a given case.

A correspondent in yesterday's State says he "realizes fully and thoroughly that in order that civilization may rule, the law must be supreme," but this writer attempts to draw a distinction "between advocating mob law as a means of enforcing justice, and having a feeling of sympathy and compassion for those who, when half crazed by wrongs they have suffered, try to avenge those wrongs themselves, even though crimes are committed by them." This is a process of reasoning into which many well-meaning people fall. If the law is to be supreme (and who will be so bold as to say it should not?) no matter how much our feelings may be aroused in behalf of innocent victims of the worst of crimes, our sympathy should never get the upper hand of our judgment, and cause us to condone or participate in violations of the law. As we have had occasion to remark heretofore, there is no justification or excuse for individuals taking the law into their own hands and thereby becoming lawbreakers, when the law is sufficient in any case to do ample justice.

The demonstration of lawlessness which took place in Atlanta yesterday is evidence that certain Georgians, also, have not a proper respect for law and constituted authority. Such a spirit is no credit to any state. While we believe Frank was guilty, Governor Slaton doubtless acted conscientiously in commuting his sentence, believing, perhaps like many others, that there was some element of doubt as to his guilt, yet we deplore the outbreak which shows so unmistakably that deplorable spirit of mob violence, that effort on the part of private citizens to take the law into their own hands.

Lancaster's Home Coming week will be observed later in July than the glorious Fourth.

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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Only Jail Cases Are to be Tried at This Session.

The June term of the circuit court convened at this place with Judge John S. Wilson of Manning presiding. Solicitor J. K. Henry and Stenographer Harry McCaw were also on hand. As this is a jail delivery term only cases where the prisoners are in jail will be tried. The grand jury passed upon all the bills of indictment in their charge, made their final presentment and were discharged yesterday. The following is the presentment:

State of South Carolina,
County of Lancaster.

To his Honor John S. Wilson, Presiding Judge, we, the grand jury of the said county do submit the following report:

We have examined and passed on all bills of indictment handed us by the solicitor.

Did not visit the county chaingang, home or jail, these being visited and inspected at our spring term of court, and reported on favorably. We are glad to report that the chaingang is doing good work, and getting the roads in good shape. Nice sleeping quarters are also being provided for the convicts. Sewerage is being installed at the county jail, which will make it more sanitary than at present.

The bridge over North Wild Cat creek near Tradesville is in a dangerous condition, and should receive attention at once.

It has been suggested that the audit of the different county books, the report of which was handed in with our report at the spring term court be published in the county newspaper. We find that this will be of some expense to the county, and unanimously decided not to have this done. The report is on file in the clerk of court's office and any one desiring to see the report can inspect same by calling at his office.

We present Otis Miller for assault and battery with intent to kill, and carrying concealed weapon. Witnesses to prove same, E. C. Mungo and G. J. Small.

All of which is submitted,
J. U. BELL, Foreman.

The following true bills were found by the grand jury:

The state vs. Gus Knight, murder.
The state vs. Meek Williams, house breaking and larceny.

The state vs. Meek Williams and Hazel Clyburn, house breaking and larceny.

The state vs. David Green, house breaking and larceny.

The state vs. Bossey Evans, assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapon.

The state vs. Will Blackmon, assault and battery with intent to kill.

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The state vs. Vern Adams, house breaking and larceny.

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The state vs. James McIlwain, malicious mischief.

The state vs. Hazel Clyburn, receiving stolen goods.

The state vs. Frank Clyburn, receiving stolen goods.

The state vs. Wyatt Watts, assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapon.

The state vs. Lizzie Duncan, assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapon.

Gus Knight, charged with the murder of O. A. Gregory, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty and his trial was set for today. The trial will commence at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Claud N. Sapp and J. Copeland Massey will assist the state and John T. Green and Harry Hines will appear for the defense.

The following cases have been disposed of:
Bossey Evans alias Bossey Ervin,

charged with assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapons. The verdict was guilty of assault of a high and aggravated nature and carrying concealed weapons. He was given nine months imprisonment or \$150 fine. James McIlwain plead guilty to a charge of malicious mischief and was given six months in the reformatory at Lexington or pay a fine of \$50. David Green, on a charge of house breaking and larceny, was found guilty.

Meek Williams, charged with house breaking and larceny, was found not guilty. He was charged with breaking into the store of Robinson-Cloud Co. He was placed upon trial again for breaking into the Express office. He made an amusing appeal to the jury, but was convicted all the same and the judge gave him five years on the chaingang.

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